

## Dear Parent or Guardian:

We have received your registration for your child to attend the "Making Proud Choices!: A Safer-Sex Approach to HIV/STDs and Teen Pregnancy Prevention" Program offered by the Mvskoke Nation Youth Services (MNYS).

In support of The Teen Pregnancy Prevention Movement initiative, MNYS will be providing the curriculum to 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students in Okmulgee County. This 8-session, evidence-based program will provide students with the knowledge, confidence, and skills necessary to reduce their risk of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), and teen pregnancy. Making Proud Choices! will introduce the consequences of risk taking behaviors, attitudes toward condom use, and the knowledge to use condoms correctly. The curriculum will be taught by trained educators from MNYS.

Making Proud Choices! teaches students to focus on goals and dreams and how their decisions will affect the future. This program educates students about the cause, transmission, and prevention of STDs, HIV, and teenage pregnancy. Making Proud Choices! introduces students to problem solving methods to help them think about their choices and understand the importance of protecting themselves.

The goal of *Making Proud Choices!* is to empower teens to make choices that will reduce their risk of an unplanned pregnancy or becoming infected with HIV and other STDs. Youth participation is voluntary and confidential. You can elect to remove your child from this program at any time.

You are welcome to preview the *Making Proud Choices!* class materials and meet the instructors at Parent Preview: November 21<sup>st</sup> 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Sign in for the classes will begin at 12:30 pm with classes held from 1 pm to 5:00 pm on November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Green Country Behavior Helath located at 619 N. Main Street, Muskogee, OK.

If you are unable to attend or have other questions please contact:

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If you would like to allow your child to participate please sign and return this form.	
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